PARTNERS OF PROMISE

SPECIAL YEAR END REPORT TO OUR PARTNERS

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Promise Christian University has been on the cutting edge of academic and Biblical training since 2003. Our vision and mission are to prepare men and women to be leaders, used of God to the fullest extent of their calling and gifts.

The 21st century continues to be the information age. Church and ministry professionals are required to know more and to be more resourceful than in previous times.

"Ask of Me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance..." Psalm 2:8

OUR MISSION

To equip current and future global Christian leaders with the knowledge and skills needed to bear witness of God's love to the nations.

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Because of this, more and more pastors, evangelists and missionaries seek to complete their education and earn degrees in theology.

At the same time, due in large part to the physical and financial demands of ministry, it can be challenging to find the time and money to continue one's education.

Promise Christian University is the solution: affordable, relevant, and accessible.

Merry Christmas to all of our students and alumni who now minister in eighteen nations, eight states and nine study centers.

Happy New Year to all of our Partners of Promise and to our 120 Prayer Partners.

May you and your Christian ministries prosper and may you be in health, spiritually, mentally, emotionally, and physically.



Dr. Michael McKinney Founder, President, CEO

OUR GIFT TO YOU

I still remember the time my wife and I, early in our marriage, moved into a second floor apartment with an exterior stairway.

At the time, I was on the worship team at church. During Sunday services, I was perched in front of the keyboard, ready to accompany the worship leader. This assignment required I have my own piano at home where I could practice and ready myself for the weekly church services.

So, we purchased an upright for our home. It was an old, large, faded black piano. The black keys were in good condition, but the white keys were mostly yellow, and a few of them were chipped. It stayed in tune and was all we could afford at the time, so it was a perfect fit.

There was no way I could take on the entire burden of moving it up those narrow stairs and into our apartment, so I approached some of my brothers in the college-career class. They graciously agreed to help me carry my burden.

The apostle Paul tells us in Galatians 6:2 that bearing one another's burdens fulfills the law of Christ. I realize, in context, Paul is addressing the backsliding of some of the Galatians. Nevertheless, Christians are taught to rise up and help others, especially those of the faith. Besides, had I tried to bring the piano upstairs by myself, backsliding would certainly have occurred.

So we ask you, our brothers and sisters, how can we help bear your burdens? Like other organizations at years end, we too are asking you to help us bear the financial burdens of equipping Christian pastors and ministers through your gifts and offerings. But we also want to fulfill the law of Christ by helping you. When you become a Partner of Promise, you have our promise to give back by praying for your success.

Dr. David Truax, Chairman of the Board of Trustees

TESTIMONIALS

Each year we receive feedback from our students, visitors, and even global leaders who have been influenced or inspired by the work of Promise Christian University. Here are some of our recent favorites.

- □ "I am so thankful that I got to know PCU. What a great vision Drs. Michael and Adelle McKinney got to create in this university—and what a chance, for those of us who have been busy serving the Lord, to earn our degree." **Henri**
- □ "The quality of education I received through PCU made an outstanding difference in my appreciation for the Word of God." **Sam**
- ☐ "(The Chaplaincy Course) radically transformed my life and outlook on ministry in general. Mahalo to PCU." Barry
- \square "I want to thank all the wonderful professors of PCU. They taught me wisdom, patience, and humility." Roxaura
- "I have gone to other schools, but this one was phenomenal. Thank you PCU for offering such amazing classes." Nichole

2018HIGHLIGHTS

By the time 2017 turned into 2018, the newly inaugurated Promise Governance Institute Leadership Networking Conference committee was busy planning their first event.

In June, we held our first conference in nearby Ontario, California. Christian leaders in government and academia from a variety of nations, gathered to discuss the challenges we face and the successes God has given us.

The conference was a great success and we have

received many complements from attendees. Some have even told us they plan to run for elected office in their own towns and countries.

PCU has implemented a new computerized administration and management system, bringing more recordkeeping efficiency to our dayto-day operations.

We also recently launched our new online classroom.

In August, the 16th Annual Graduation Banquet and Graduation Commencement Ceremonies took place at the nearby Hilton conference center in Baldwin Park.

We held our Inaugural Pastors Conference in Honolulu, Hawaii in September. The event brought pastors and ministers from a variety of local Christian churches together for fellowship, for teaching, and to express our unity in the Body of Christ.

Classes continue to be offered in person and online. PCU is helping to equip today's pastors and ministers and to raise up the next

generation of Christian leaders who will bring the message of the cross of Jesus Christ to the nations.

In December, we will hold our annual Christmas Party in conjunction with our own Pastors Network of Southern California. Our guest speaker will be Adjunct Professor Dr. Chris Monroe.

We extend a very big "Thank you" to each of you, our partners, who make these things possible through your prayers and giving.

"Those who live to bless others will have blessings heaped upon them..." Proverbs 11:25

WILL YOU ALSO PARTNER WITH US?

Becoming a Partner of Promise or continuing your support of our mission means that you are making an investment in the future of God's Kingdom. Will you help us train ministers to spread the good news of Jesus Christ to the world?

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